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1. SUMMARY: HEADS OF DEL HAD FINAL DISCUSSION OF SCENARIO FOR OECD MINISTERIAL ON JUNE 21 WHICH GENERALLY CONFIRMED OUTLINE DESCRIBED IN REFTEL. AS CHAIRMAN PEACOCK INTENDS TO SEEK SUBSTANTIVE DEBATE ON MAIN ISSUES IN NORTH/SOUTH RELATIONS, AND PARTICULARLY ON POSSIBLE PUBLIC N/S DECLARATION OR COMMUNIQUE LANGUAGE, LATE IN AFTERNOON OF FIRST DAY, SECRETARY VANCE MAY WISH TO CONSIDER RESCHEDULING BI-LATERALS WITH SIMONET AND OWEN FOR PERIOD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING END OF FIRST DAY SESSION. END SUMMARY.

2. OECD SECRETARIAT TOLD HEADS OF DEL JUNE 21 THAT AUSTRALIAN MINISTERIAL CHAIRMAN PEACOCK HOPES TO BEGIN FIRST DAY'S SESSION WITH TOUR DE TABLE ON SECRET- LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ARIAT'S ISSUES PAPER C(77)110, WITH STATEMENTS GENERALLY LIMITED TO ABOUT FIVE MINUTES. (AUSTRALIANS AND SECRETARIAT HAVE TOLD US PRIVATELY THEY UNDER-STAND SECRETARY VANCE'S SPEECH WILL NOT BE LIMITED BY THIS REQUEST.) OFFICIAL LEVEL DRAFTING GROUP WILL BEGIN WORK AT TWELVE NOON, CONCENTRATING FIRST ON LANGUAGE OF POSSIBLE DRAFT DECLARATION AND CONTINUING

WORK ON COMMUNIQUE PARAGRAPHS ON DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION, COMMODITIES, ENERGY, ILLICIT PAYMENTS, AND POSSIBLY TRADE. HOPE IS TO PUT DRAFT DECLARATION BEFORE MINISTERS AFTER CONCLUSION OF TOUR DE TABLE, AT AROUND FOUR O'CLOCK, AND HAVE A SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION OF NORTH/SOUTH ISSUES ON BASIS OF THAT DOCUMENT. BY SIX O'CLOCK MINISTERS WILL TRY TO REACH CONCLUSIONS AND APPROVE COMMUNIQUE LANGUAGE ON SUBJECTS, EXCEPT TRADE, WHICH WILL BE HELD OVER TO JUNE 24, SINCE TRADE PLEDGE WILL BE OFFICIALLY RENEWED THAT DAY. MINISTERS WILL ALSO DECIDE WHETHER TO ISSUE DECLARATION SEPARATELY OR FOLD LANGUAGE INTO COMMUNIQUE. AUSTRALIANS HAVE TOLD US THAT CHAIRMAN PEACOCK WANTS TO ISSUE N/S LANGUAGE TO THE PRESS AFTER THE FIRST DAY'S SESSION, WHETHER IT IS A SEPARATE DECLARATION OR A PART OF THE LONGER COMMUNIQUE TO BE ISSUED AT END OF SECOND DAY. DRAFTING GROUP WILL MEET AGAIN AROUND NINE P.M. AND CONTINUE WORKING ON REMAINING SECTIONS OF COMMUNIQUE (TRADE AND MACRO-ECONOMIC QUESTIONS) AS LONG AS NECESSARY.

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3. SECOND DAY WILL HAVE SIMILAR PATTERN, I.E., TOUR DE TABLE OF BRIEF STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS, SUBSTANTIVE

DISCUSSION IN AFTERNOON, AND APPROVAL OF COMMUNIQUE AT
END OF DAY, FOLLOWED BY A PRESS CONFERENCE.

4. ONLY COMMENT MADE ON THIS SCENARIO WAS REMARK
BY FRENCH DEL THAT LAST YEAR HE HAD ADVISED HIS
MINISTER TO MAKE A BRIEF STATEMENT AND THEN FOUND THE
U.S. REP MAKING A LONG SPEECH. THIS YEAR HE HAD
ADVISED FOREIGN MINISTER DE GUIRINGAUD TO MAKE A
"SUBSTANTIAL STATEMENT." AUSTRALIAN DEL POINTED OUT
THAT A STATEMENT COULD STILL BE VERY SUBSTANTIVE EVEN
IF IT WERE RELATIVELY BRIEF, AND NOTED PEACOCK'S OWN
STATEMENT WOULD NOT GO BEYOND FIVE OR SIX MINUTES.

5. AS THE SCENARIO PROGRAMS AN IMPORTANT
SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION DURING THE PERIOD OF FOUR TO
SIX P.M. ON THE FIRST DAY, WHICH COULD RESULT IN THE
ISSUING OF A PUBLIC DECLARATION OR COMMUNIQUE
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LANGUAGE ON NORTH/SOUTH RELATIONS, MISSION SUGGESTS
DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CONSIDER WHETHER BILATERALS
CURRENTLY SCHEDULED FOR SECRETARY VANCE DURING THIS
PERIOD SHOULD NOT BE PUSHED BACK UNTIL SIX O'CLOCK
WHEN THERE APPEARS TO BE SOME FREE TIME IN THE
MINISTERIAL SCHEDULE.

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